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Re: Applicant(s): Vargas, Jaime S.  
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Dear Examiner Pantuck:

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- (2) Election.

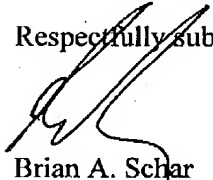
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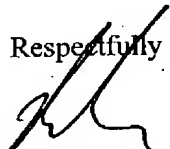
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**ELECTION**

This communication is in response to the Office Action of March 9, 2004. Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-18, without traverse. Allowance of pending claims 1-18 is respectfully solicited. Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions.

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